



WASHINGTON STATE NURSING CARE QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMISSION EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING Minutes

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Education Subcommittee – May 18, 2004 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Pacific Lutheran University, School of Nursing, Ramstad Hall, 2nd floor, Rm 208.

Education Subcommittee Members:
Jacqueline Rowe, Penny Woodruff
Marlene Wells

Lead: Mariann Williams, Chairperson
Staff: Joan Wilson, Nursing Education Mgr.
Peggy Owen, Staff

Attendance: Penny Woodruff absent. All other panel members present with 2 guests.
Guests in attendance; Shirley Aiken, PLU; Carolyn Nelson, Clover Park Technical College.

Call to order:

Review/Approval of Minutes from Education Sub-Committee meeting – March 30, 2004: **Minutes approved with minor changes to 1Aa2.**

1. Old business:

a. Continued Competence

First draft of language developed by Karl regarding active-inactive licenses reviewed. **Competency task force chaired by Cheryl Payseno will be responsible for the development of materials related to Continued Competence. Education Subcommittee directed staff to inquire whether the Task Force or the Education Subcommittee will continue the work related to “Active Practice” Ms. Payseno will be contacted.**

A. Policy Development

- a. What responsibility does the nursing commission have to nursing assistant programs? **Ms. Pitzler reviews documents supplied to the commission by DSHS for compliance with regulations. If there is a question regarding the program, then NPAP will review for possible disciplinary action**

- B. Nursing homes under sanction. Reply to questions per Joan Wilson. **Nursing Homes cannot offer nursing assistant programs for two years after being sanctioned. External agencies and /or programs may use the facility as a clinical site during this time.**

C. Requests for new Education Policy Statement: Discussion/Action

a. Committee should establish guidelines on how to handle complaints from the public and/or faculty or students regarding nursing schools. **Joan will develop materials.**

b. Review of “yes” responses on medical condition for first time nursing license applications.

- Clarification on advisement into nursing program and “yes” responses for licensure application.
- Clarification on the school’s role and responsibility for admission policy (build on related policy for history of felony or criminal background).

The current policies of the commission titled Decision Making Criteria for License Applications number A21.03 was given to Schools of Nursing at CNEWS; it was very helpful to them. They had no further questions or clarification needs for the commission at this time.

D. A Maryland ARNP with masters is seeking a license in Washington State.

This nurse is nationally certified and wants to complete a Masters thru Excelsior. Since the nurse is nationally certified, she may do Excelsior Masters and then seek Washington license. This was the agreement of the committee on March 30, 2004.

2. New Business:

a. Policy statement for LPN programs which are part of ladder program regarding site visits. Currently most LPN schools have been approved as part of a ladder program. Do we need to consider a policy given new accreditation standards?

Staff to develop policy guidelines for approval/visits for practical nurse programs given the new education/rules.

3. Rules: N/A

4. Other/FYI Discussion/Action **Review work plan.**

5. Next meeting date: **Tuesday August 3, 2004 7:00-9:00pm Location to be determined.**